The position was explained to the students of UCMS and it was also confirmed by the MCI. Therefore, the strike was withdrawn by the students.

Pending requests for grant of Industrial licences from Punjab

*18. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL:: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of requests for the grant of industrial licences from Punjab, which are pending with Government; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to expedite the disposal of such requests?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) and (b) As on 15th April, 1990, 88 pending Industrial Licence applications for setting up of industrial undertakings in Punjab are at various stages of processing.

It is the constant endeavour of the Government to dispose of the Industrial Licence applications as expeditiously as possible.

***Survey of Coal areas in Chimur Taluka* in Chandrapur, Maharashtra**

*19. SHRI NARESH C. PUGLIA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India have conducted any survey for coal reserves in the Chimur Taluka under Chandrapur District of Maharashtra;

(b) whether a huge reserve of coal has been located in this Taluka and if so, what is the volume thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to start work on the 'Bandari' mines in the Chimur Taluka; and

(d) if so, by when the work is likely to start and what is the expenditure involved?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (d) The Geological Survey of India has not conducted any survey in the Chimur Taluka of Chandrapur District of Maharashtra. However, the Directorate of Geology and Mining, Government of Maharashtra and the Central Mine Planning and Design Institute, Ranchi have carried out surveys on the basis of which it is estimated that there are reserves of about 10 million tonnes of coal in the 'proved' category and 190 million tonnes of coal in the 'indicated' category in the Bander Coalfield of Chimur Taluka. Further detailed exploration of the area with a view to drawing up a project report for the mines is in progress. The project is likely to be taken up during the 9th Plan period.

Quota of Gas Agencies to Freedom Fighters

*20. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of cooking gas agencies allotted to freedom fighters or their dependents, State-wise; and

(b) whether Government propose to increase the quota of gas agencies for the freedom fighters?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) The number of LPG distributorships allotted to freedom fighters State-wise as on 1.1.1990 is as follow:

State	
Andhra Pradesh	10
Arunachal Pradesh	0
Assam	8
Bihar	5
Goa	1

Gujarat	665
Haryana	5
Himachal Pradesh	1
Jammu & Kashmir	0
Karnataka	4
Kerala	7
Madaya Pradesh	8
Maharashtra	7
Manipur	0
Meghalaya	0
Mizoram	00
Nagaland	0
Orissa	2
Punjab	5
Rajasthan	4
Sikkim	0
Tamil Nadu	10
Tripura	0
Uttar Pradesh	14
West Bengal	5
Total:	96

Union Territory	
Andaman Nicobar	0
Chandigarh	1
Daman & Diu	0
Delhi	4
Lakshadeep	0
Pondicherry	0
Dadar Nagar Haveli	0
Total :	5

The dependents of freedom fighters are not eligible to get distributorship under this category.

(b) At present there is no proposal to increase the existing reservation of 5 per cent for freedom fighters in the allotment of LPG distributorships.

उत्तर प्रदेश के कुछ जिलों में भारी उद्योगों की स्थापना

1. **श्री राम नरेश यादव** : क्या उद्योग मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार उत्तर प्रदेश के आजमगढ़, फिरोजाबाद, शिकोहाबाद तथा बदायूं जिलों में, वहां पर व्याप्त पिछड़ेपन और जनशक्ति की उपलब्धता को ध्यान में रखते हुए वहां भारी उद्योग स्थापित किए जाने संबंधी किसी प्रस्ताव पर विचार कर रही है, और

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है ?

उद्योग मंत्री (श्री अजीत सिंह) : (क) और (ख) उत्तर प्रदेश के आजमगढ़, आगरा (फिरोजाबाद); मैनपुरी (शिकोहाबाद) और बदायूं जिलों में उद्योग लगाने के लिए 1987 से 1990 (31 मार्च तक) के वर्षों के दौरान जारी किए गए आशय पत्रों तथा औद्योगिक लाइसेंसों की संख्या इस प्रकार है :—

जिला	आशय पत्र	औद्योगिक लाइसेंस
आजमगढ़	—	—
आगरा (फिरोजाबाद)	2	—
मैनपुरी (शिकोहाबाद)	1	1
बदायूं	2	—

इसके अलावा, उत्तर प्रदेश के उक्त्युक्त जिलों में उद्योग लगाने के लिए आशय-पत्र/औद्योगिक लाइसेंस जारी करने के सम्बन्ध में पांच आवेदन पत्र कारवाई की विभिन्न अवस्थाओं में हैं ।